

1851. April 11th At a Chamber Meeting held this day according to Notice, - Present. Mr. Pady, Mr. Snook, Mr. Baber, Mr. Stenner, Mr. Mills, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Higgins & Capt. Powell Tenders were received, from, J^r. Richards 9, Henry Postock 9, M^r. Mills 8, M^r. North 8, M^r. G^r. Haskins 8, G^r. Griffin 8, M^r. Cooper 7^{to} 10. Offering the Sums attached to their names as an Annual Rental ^{for} T^r. Lane Close and it was unanimously resolved that J^r. Richards's Tender be accepted Subject to the Conditions of the Head Bill for letting the same -

1851 May 8th At a Chamber Meeting this Day held the Accounts were examined and found correct -

Also ordered that the Sum at present due to M^r. Edwards be paid off on the 28th of July next.

J. Pady Chairman
 George Eyre P^rest^r.
 James Farmer
 William Stenner
 M^r. Higgins

1851 June 6th. At a Chamber Meeting held this day pursuant to notice it was
resolved that the Power be required to give in specifications & estimates as to the
proposed alteration of premises at Newton before definite orders be given for
the work. It was also resolved that Captain Parke offer relating a portion of his
Shrubbery being used as a site for the Conduit to be erected in Queen's Square
subject to the conditions proposed by him (see note below)

It was further resolved that £5 a year be contributed by the Chamber
towards the cost of a Watchman or Paid Constable for this Parish.
and it was also resolved a donation of Five Pounds be paid to Thomas
Edwards of this Parish (Blackneth) on account of the loss he has of
late sustained in consequence of his house having been burned.

J. Pady Chairman

J. Smith
George Eger Pond M.
Henry de'Grace Kingston

M. Hoggins

J. W. White

Conditions on which a Conduit might be placed by the Feoffees of
Colyton in a Mitre (such as the one by the Church Yard Gate) against
the Shrubbery in Queen's Square 1st That a written document
be reserved with the Writings belonging to the Feoffees to this effect
In the event of any Building being hereafter Erected on the Site
of the said Shrubbery and that it would be more convenient to
have the intended conduit placed in a more desirable situation
for the Accommodation of such Building that the Feoffees should
remove the Conduit at their own expense 2nd That a Grate shall
be paid by the said Feoffees as Rent to the Owner of the said
Shrubbery for the Accommodation granted 3rd That considering the
Inconvenience such public Accommodation brings to any Property against
which it may be placed but on the other hand taking into consideration the great & essential
Benefit Soft Water would be to the Poor and the immediate Neighbourhood of this intended site
for a Conduit the Owner of the said Shrubbery would consent to its being placed there provided
in Addition to the former stipulations the Feoffees would give him 33 of Date for
the purpose of putting up a new set of palings which the owner would himself
be at the expense of Erecting

1851 July 11th At a Chamber Meeting this Day held pursuant to Notice to take into consideration an Application made by James Denny Jones for Assistance to take him to the Eye Infirmary in Exeter he being a very Inevitable young Man and his case of long standing and one which has entirely prevented him from Working
Resolved that the Treasurer do Advance him Two Pounds out of the Feoffee Fund

J. Pady Chairman
J. Trook
W. Skinner
George Eyre Powell
R. Whiggins
J. Mervel

1851 August 6th. At a meeting this day held pursuant to notice duly given to take into consideration the best methods of ascertaining the position of certain land lately fallen into hand by the death of the late Mrs Luella Rolle on whose life it was leased to the late Baron Rolle by the then Feoffee on the 6th November 1751, it was resolved, after a careful examination of the old leases, that Mr Pickering be requested to meet some members of the Chamber in Colford Meadow as soon as possible to view said premises by reference to old maps in his possession.

George Eyre Powell
Chairman

1851 August 20th At a Feoffee Meeting this Day held pursuant to Notice Present Rev^d F. Barnes DD Chairman Capt. Powell Mr Kingdon Rev^d J. Pary Mr. Shames Mr. Smoock Mr. Higgins

It was stated to the Meeting by Capt. Powell (one of the Committee Appointed to settle the Business concerning the Field at Alphington in the Parish of Ottery St. Mary) that no reply had been received from Mr. Hiddle Agent for Mrs. Deacon owner of adjoining Property. The Chairman was requested to write Mr. Hiddle which he did in the following Terms
Colyton August 20th 1851

Sir

It having been reported at a Meeting of the Feoffees for the Charity Lands belonging to this Parish that no reply had been received to a repeated Application to you concerning the Field at Alphington in Ottery St. Mary. The Chairman was desired to write to you again as the Agent for Mrs. Deacon the owner of Lands adjoining and requesting some answer to the subject of two letters Addressed to you by Capt. Powell Chairman of the Committee who met you on the Spot last summer. The Date of the letter to you being 11th July 1851

12 May 1851 } of which Capt. Powell exhibited Copies. You will please to Address your reply to Mr. Higgins Bailiff of the Colyton Feoffees

to J. Hiddle Esq^r

Your Most Serv^t

Solicitor Extraordinary

Frederick Barnes DD Vicar of Colyton

The Chairman was also requested to write to Mr. Golding (Agent for the Trustees of the late Lord Rolle's Estate) concerning a Plot of Land in Colyton Meadow which was done in the following terms
Sir

The Plot of Ground in Colyton Meadow belonging to the Feoffees of Charity Lands in the Parish of Colyton held by Lease for Lives by the late Lord Rolle is now fallen into hand by the Decease of Miss Lucilla Rolle. I have therefore (as Chairman of a Meeting of the Feoffees this Day held) ~~been desired~~ ^{been desired} to request you that

they require surrender of the same and would be obliged to you if you would put such proceedings forward as may settle the Business without undue Delay

Your Obedt Servt

Frederick Burns D D and

To Mr Coleridge & Co

Vicar of Colyton

Ordered that the Water be brought into Queen's Square (According to order June 5th 1851) forthwith and that Capt Powell Mr Pary Mr Smock & Mr Watstone with the Bailiff be a Committee to carry out the same

Ordered that £5 be advanced to the Wife of Mr Wall after the Operation she is about to undergo

Ordered that Mr Smock Mr Pary Mr S White & Mr Tho Lane with the Bailiff be a Committee to superintend the Drainage and Improvements of the Council Estate

The following Note having been received from Sir J Reeves De la Pole

Gentlemen

Hearing that you have a Meeting about the Shooting on Councils Estate I should feel obliged if I had the preference given to me on Account of the Land being so much intermixed with mine Believe me Gentlemen

Yours &c

J R De la Pole

The Chairman was ~~directed~~ requested to give a reply ~~which~~ which it was agreed upon to the following purpose he did so on the following terms

My Dear Sir

Your Note respecting the Shooting on the Councils Estate having been laid before the Meeting of the Feoffees I am desirous to inform you that if a written Assent to the project of it would be supposed to convey the exclusion of all other persons they regret that they do not feel themselves Authorized to give it

I remain my Dear Sir J R De la Pole

Yours faithfully Frederick Burns

1051 November 20th At a Chamber Meeting
this Day the Accts were examined and Allowed
George Eyre Powell, Chairman

John Smith

1051 December 26th

At a Chamber Meeting this Day
held pursuant to Notice to Distribute the
Annual Christmas Gift to the Poor the Sum
of £ 39. 2 0 was given to those Persons whose Names
are inserted in the Treasurers Book and this
Meeting is adjourned to Tuesday the 30th inst. to take
into consideration the further distribution of Money,
at 10 AM.

George Eyre Powell,
Chairman

1051 December 30th

At an adjourned Meeting this
Day held the Sum of £ 30. 7. 6 was given
to those persons whose names are inserted
in the Treasurers Book

George Eyre Powell,
Chairman

1052 March 18th

At a Chamber Meeting this Day
held pursuant to Notice to take into consideration
an Application made by James Tule for Assistance
to take his Wife and Family to America

Resolved that the Sum of Eight
Pounds be ~~paid~~ Advanced by the Treasurer
for the Above purpose

George Eyr Pitt

H. Huggdon

Thos Lane

Matthew Mattson

James T. Foster

John Drower

John Smith

Will. Skinner

R. W. Higgins

1052 April 22nd At a Chamber Meeting this Day
held pursuant to Notice the half Year's Accts were
examined and allowed. Resolved that five Pounds
be Advanced by the Treasurer to Philip Bull (son
(Carver)) to assist him to purchase a Horse

Carried to Acct

Some 24th

George Eyr Pitt W. (Chairman)

1052 June 24th At a Chamber Meeting this Day held pursuant to Notice the Sum of £ 40. 3. 6 was given to those Persons whose Names are inserted in the Treasurer's Books

Present

- Capt. Powell Chairman
- Mr Kingdon
- Mr J. Smith (plumber)
- J. M. Smith (draper)
- Mr Sumner
- Mr Leach
- Mr Watstone
- Mr Mills
- Mr Farmer
- Mr Deaver
- Mr Swanwick
- Mr Siller

Captain Liddon on leaving this Town made the following Communication to me on the 20th of July 1852 which he requested I would make known to the Feoffes of Colyton at their next Meeting for their future guidance on the part of the trust

Viz I have given instructions to Mr Eli Salter to lay out in Wood for the Poor of Colyton Parish the sum of three Pounds Annually as charged on a Field called Howlands Ham

George Eyer Powell

1053 July 15th At a Feoffee Meeting this Day held pursuant to Notice in consequence of encroachments made on Lands & premises behind the Golden Lion Inn situate leased to the late Lord Courtney Also to take into consideration the Desirableness of fitting up the Workshop late in the Occupation of Mr Salter into 3 Dwelling Houses

Resolved that this Meeting do Adjourn until to Morrow the 16th inst by 10 o'clock in the forenoon

1852 July 16th At an adjourned Meeting this Day
held it was agreed that Mr Powell be requested
to send an estimate of the expense for converting
the Workshops in Honiton into three Dwelling Houses.

Also Resolved that in consequence of a
representation made by the Bailiff that certain encroachments
have and are daily making on the Property on Lease at the
back of the Golden Lion Inn at Honiton it was unanimously
Resolved on reference to the said lease that the Chairman
of this Meeting be requested to write the following letter to the
Steward of the Lord of the Manor of Honiton

Viz (Copy) Feoffee Chamber July 16th 1852

Sir)

In consequence of a representation having been
made by the Bailiff of the Feoffees of Colyton respecting certain
encroachments made on their Property at present on Lease
at the back of the Golden Lion Inn in Honiton a Special
Meeting of the Chamber have taken place when the
encroachments complained of were brought fully under their
consideration and I am requested to inform you that the Occupiers
of Premises adjoining the Golden Lion have opened Doors
and make a thorough fare through the Golden Lion Yard
contrary to the terms of the Lease and unless these
encroachments are immediately stopped and in future
prevented the Feoffees will be under the necessity of enforcing
the conditions of the lease by recourting on the Property

To Spencer Cox Esq^r.

Jerman Street

Solicitor
Steward to the Lord of the Manor
of Honiton

Your very Obedt Servant

George Esqr Powell
Chairman

J. Snook

W^m James

1052 July 27th At a Chamber Meeting this Day
held pursuant to Notice to receive an
Estimate from Mr Power for converting the
Workshop at Hamton (late in the Occupation of
Mr Saltee Cabinet maker) into three Dwelling
Houses

Resolved that Mr Power's estimate
be accepted viz £1.10^s and that the Work be
done forthwith Mr Power having engaged to
finish the whole fit to receive Tenants the beginning
of November

George Esr Powell
Chairman

J. Trook

H. Kingdon

J. Henry Seaward
W. H. Miles

Office Room August 3rd 1852

At a Office Meeting this Day held
pursuant to Notice to Nominate Persons to fill up
Vacancies in the Chamber Occasioned by the Death of
the Rev^d Day and others. Members of the Chamber present

Viz Mr Snook Mr Kingdon Mr Watstone

Mr Skinner Mr Lane White Mr Tuck

Mr Seaward Mr Smith plumber Mr Salted

Mr Smith brew Mr Drouce Mr Mills

Mr Farmer Mr Higgins Capt Powell Chairman

The following resolutions were carried

1st That two of a family are not eligible to be in the
Trust at the same time either as Officers or Sellers

2nd That ~~Public Houses keepers~~ ~~Public Houses keepers~~ ~~Public Houses keepers~~ ~~Public Houses keepers~~ ~~Public Houses keepers~~
Public Houses keepers be considered ineligible in the Trust

3rd That none but the Actual Possessors of Property

in the Parish be considered eligible to be in the Town

4th That the Charter and the translation of it is not to be taken out of the Chambers without the Approbation of the Majority of the Feoffees and Twenty Men

5th That the Persons named in the following list be Nominated to fill the Vacancies Amongst the Feoffees and Twenty Men provided they are willing to accept Office

Feoffees

- De Barro Mr Snook Mr Higginson Junr
- Sir Imo Pole Capt Powell J L Scarborough Esqr
- Mr Batstone Mr Sam White Mr Shinn ~~Mr Shinn~~ Mr Ballett
- x Mr Higgins x Mr Drower x Mr Smith (Junior)

20 Men (Old Members)

- Mr Farmer Mr Seller Mr Tucks
- Mr March Mr Lane Mr Seaward
- Mr T Edwards Mr Smith (Junior) Mr Satter
- Mr Mills Mr Minner

20 Men (New Members)

- Mr Parris Mr White (Junior) Mr H. Battler
- Mr Power Mr W Shinn Mr F Stokes
- Mr Battler Mr Johnson Mr Langley
- Mr Joseph Farmer ~~Mr Minner~~ Mr J. Richards (City)

7th That the Chairman do write to the Court of Chancery And make enquiry if there is any recent Act whereby the Conveyance Dcd can be made at a less Cost than the last

8th That Tho^s Newton be relieved with the Sum of 3 £ on account of long Sickness and Death of his Wife

1052 August 14th At a Chamber Meeting this Day
held pursuant to Notice Present

Mr Smith (plumber) Mr Smith (grocer)
Mr Mills Mr Drew
Mr Skinner Mr Higgins
Mr Ainslie Mr Seaward
Mr Butstone Mr Thompson

Capt Powell Chairman

Resolved 1st That the Bailiff do communicate
with Mr Mr Drew of London and request him to
seek an interview with Mr James Kingdon and
endeavour to learn from him if he intend resigning
his post as a Feoffee of the Charity Lands of this
Parish and that the Bailiff be authorized to Defray
Mr Drew's reasonable expence for making this inquiry
2nd That Mr Coffe be relieved with the Sum of £ 50
in consequence of his having sustained the loss of a Horse

1052 August 20th At a Chamber Meeting this Day held
pursuant to Notice in consequence of a Letter
having been received from Mr Kingdon Sen^r of which
the following is a Copy Viz

" Sir
Colyton Touch Estate

" In Answer to your Letter on this Subject I have
" only to say that I will most readily assign my trust
" and execute a conveyance of the Estate now vested in me
" as one of the surviving Feoffes

I am Your Serv^t
Jas Thompson

London 17 August, 1852

To Captain Powell

Resolved that the Bailiff do issue his card calling a
 general meeting of the Feoffees and Twenty men for Tuesday
 the 31st August at two o'clock P.M. for the final appoint-
 -ment of New Feoffees, and Twenty men.

George Eyre Powell Chairman
 Henry de Spencer Treasurer

Matthew Watstone

Wm Satter

John Drower

Henry Seaward
 & J^r B. Quirk

1052 August 31st At a Feoffee Meeting
 this Day held pursuant to the above
 Notice Present Messrs Thngdon Watstone
 Smith (phon) Mills Mich Furner Satter Drower
 Seaward White Skinner Higgins &
 Capt Powell Chairman

~~Resolved that Sebastianus in his own right
 Medical gentleman was not Admissable as Member
 of the Trust~~

Resolved That the following
 Gentlemen be Appointed as Feoffees and that their
 Names be inserted in the New Trust Deed Viz
 Rev^d F Barnes DD Mr Smock Sir J & D Coll
 Capt Powell Mr Thngdon Mr Scarborough
 Mr W Hallett Mr Watstone Mr Drower
 Mr Higgins Mr Sam White Mr Smith (phon)

Mr Hallett conditionally that he qualify
 himself by the Ownership of Land in the Parish

Resolved that the following list do constitute
the 20 Men Viz

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| Mr Skinner | Mr Mills | Mr Sattis |
| Mr Smith (young) | Mr Farmer | Mr Selles |
| Mr Murch | Mr Lane | Mr Quirk |
| Mr Seaward | Mr Edwards | Mr Paris |
| Mr Tho White | Mr R. Hutton | Mr D Power |
| Mr A Skinner | Mr F Stokes | Mr E. Hutton |
| Mr J. Farmer | Mr S Richards | |

Resolved That Mr Ty. Sherlegh be engaged
to make ^{a Draft} ~~an Abstract~~ of the Deed of Conveyance
George Eyr. Court. *Richman*

1852 September 9th A Chamber Meeting this day held pursuant to notice duly given the deed of articles dated June 1825 was produced and examined and the following alterations in them were suggested for the consideration of a Committee to be appointed "for Revising the Deed of articles and for arranging for the New Deed of Feoffment."

Article 1 - To be retained.

2 Ditto

3 To be improved by accounts being audited twice in every year instead of once.

4 To be altered: notice to be given by Printed Bills instead of verbal notice in the Church or Church Yard

5 To be retained

6 Ditto

7 Ditto

8 To be retained & improved; i.e. "the majority of Feoffees and 20 men in Chamber assembled for such purpose"

9 To be expunged

10 To be retained

11. Retained in part. Omitting so much as relates to notice by the Vicar Minister or Church Warden; & also as to the eligibility of those whose parents have land.

12th To be retained

13th Ditto

14th Ditto

15th Expunged

16th Retained

17 Ditto.

18 Moved by Mr Skinner that in addition to a Twenty Man ceasing to be a Twenty Man on removal from the Parish, he also cease to

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hold office if he fail to attend a Foffee meeting for one year.

Moved by Captain Powell & seconded by Mr Drower that the Draft Conveyance from the old to the new Foffes be submitted to the perusal of Mr George Kite and be approved and "settled" by him before the Foffemenes and be engrossed.

Moved by Mr Higgins & seconded by Mr Seaward that a committee be appointed for the purposes above set forth and that the committee consist of the following persons

Sir John de Pole - Barons

Mr Barnes

Captain Powell

Mr Kingston

Mr Skinner

with power to add to their numbers and to call in the Chamber's legal advisers if required.

John Joyce Kew de la Pole - Chairman

George Egan - Council

Henry de Spencer Kingston

Matthew Tatton

John Drower

Eli Salton

John Smith

James Parson

John Seaward

Will^m Skinner

Mr Higgins

1052 September 27th At a Chamber Meeting this Day
 held pursuant to Notice Present Sir J. R. De la Pole
 Capt. Powell R. & Mr. Smith Mr. Skinner Mr. Litch Mr. Seaward
 Mr. Drower Mr. Murch Mr. Salter Mr. White Mr. Smith Mr
 Batstone Mr. Hingon Mr. Higgins

Rev^d Dr. Barnis in the Chair

The Committee Appointed at a general Meeting of the
 Chamber held on the 9th September 1852 having met on the
 16th, 20th, & 23rd of the same Month recommended as the result
 of a lengthened and minute inspection and deliberation on
 former Articles and Deeds certain Alterations in the Old Articles
 as desirable to be made which after some Alteration in
 those proposed by the Committee were agreed to in this general
 Meeting in the following form

1st That the Charters of the Lands and all other
 Writings respecting Property, involved in the Feoffes, should
 be kept in the Iron Press in the Feoffee Room under
 three Locks and three Keys one to be kept by one of the
 Feoffes and the others by two of the Twenty Men

2nd That a Bailiff and Treasurer be elected by the
 Chamber and remain in office during the pleasure of the
 Majority of the Chamber and that the said Bailiff and
 Treasurer should at any time if required give a Bond
 for the security of the different Monies Committed to their
 charge ~~in~~ And in order to prevent waste on any part of the

Feoffes Estate the Bailiff should inspect the Property, twice every Year and report thereon to the Chamber and in consideration of his Services he should have such yearly stipend as the Majority of the Feoffes and twenty Men in their discretion should Appoint and that the Bailiff should collect the Rents and together with the Treasurer make up and produce to the Chamber their Accounts every half Year within six Weeks after Lady Day and Michaelsmas

3rd That no Lease should be granted without a Conference of the Feoffes and Twenty Men of which Notice should be given by posting public Hand bell and that the letting of the Feoffe Land should be by tender or otherwise as the Majority of the Chamber should consider advisable for the Benefit of the Trust

4th That no lease should be granted for Lives nor for any period exceeding ~~Twenty~~ ^{Fourteen} Years and then only with general consent of the Majority of the Feoffes and twenty Men assembled at a Meeting of which 10 Days Notice should be given and in case any Lease should be agreed upon that the Feoffes should undertake to execute the same within 25 Days after request

5th That such portions of the Income of the Feoffes Property as the state of the trust may (in the judgement of the Chamber) render Necessary for the purpose should be applied to the maintenance of a School in Colyton and the residue of the Income be expended in such goodly and commendable purposes for the public good and Deeds of Charity as should seem meet and convenient to the Feoffes and Twenty Men